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TAGS: PFOR, PP

SUBJECT: PNG REPRESENTATION IN WASHINGTON

1. TONY SIAGURA, ACTING SECRETARY, DFRT, TOLD ME AT LUNCH MARCH 6 THAT THE ARRIVAL OF PAULIAS MATANE IN WASHINGTON MIGHT BE DELAYED FOR SEVERAL WEEKS. HE SAID GPNG IS NOT RPT NOT RECONSIDERING ITS DECISION TO SEND HIM TO WASHINGTON, BUT IT HAS RUN INTO PROBLEMS OF STAFFING.

2. DFRT IS FINDING IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO BACKSTOP ITS FIELD OFFICES BECAUSE OF THE DEARTH OF TRAINED PERSONNEL. SIAGURA SAYS DFRT IS SERIOUSLY OVER EXTENDED AND IT WILL PROBABLY NOT BE ABLE TO BACKSTOP THE WASHINGTON OFFICE AS OF MID-APRIL. HENCE THEY EXPECT TO DELAY MATANE'S DEPARTURE.

3. HE WAS CONCERNED THAT THIS DELAY WOULD BE MISUNDERSTOOD IN WASHINGTON. I ASSURED HIM THAT THERE WOULD BE NO MIS-UNDERSTANDING AND THAT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD BE GLAD TO HAVE MATANE IN WASHINGTON WHENEVER DFRT THOUGHT ITS STAFFING PROBLEMS WOULD PERMIT HIM TO ARRIVE.

4. SIAGURA ALSO COMMENTED GPNG WANTED TO OPEN AN OFFICE IN TOKYO BUT THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY NO ONE AVAILABLE WHO IS QUALIFIED TO HEAD IT.

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